

MARCH 2007

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
THE ULTIMATE TEST OF MAN'S CONSCIENCE MAY BE HIS WILLINGNESS TO SACRIFICE SOMETHING TODAY FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS WHOSE WORDS OF THANKS WILL NOT BE HEARD. -GAYLORD NELSON (1916-2005), FOUNDER OF EARTH DAY				TAKE YOUR OWN BAGS WHEN SHOPPING	BE CONSCIOUS OF YOUR CONSUMPTION HABITS	
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USE BAKING SODA TO DEODORIZE CARPETS		CARPOOL TO SCHOOL AND ACTIVITIES		DONATE OUTGROWN CLOTHES AND TOYS TO CHARITY		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Daylight Savings Time Begins	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER CERTIFICATION TRAINING 0800-1600 BLDG # 2410 (Green Bldg) ADVANCED REGISTRATION REQUIRED			ECO / BEM 1300 -1330 Bldg. 218	COMBINE TRIPS	St. Patrick's Day
				General Environmental Awareness Training 1330 -1400 Bldg. 218		
	SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES	EQWG 1000-1130 Green Bldg EPO Meeting 1300 -1400 Green Bldg	Garrison Commander's Monthly Sustainability Breakfast 0800 - 0930 Wolf Dining Facility	REUSE LUNCH CONTAINERS	SHARE A RIDE	EMPTY YOUR TRUNK TO IMPROVE GAS MILEAGE
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	EXPLORE ECOTOURISM		FORM AN ORGANIC FOOD CO-OP	BUY ONLY WHAT YOU NEED		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Earth Day events at schools communicate the value of natural resources

Continuing its long history of teaching environmental stewardship to future leaders, the Fort Carson Directorate of Environmental Compliance and Management will host its 19th year of Earth Day events. Earth Day is celebrated annually April 22, which this year falls on a Sunday. Activities are planned for post schools April 16-19.

Earth Day activities tie in to several of Fort Carson's sustainability goals. Events focus on educating students on practices to sustain resources for the future. The activities scheduled for Earth Day are accomplished through partnering with various local, state and federal organizations that help provide a broad, multifaceted curriculum.

The theme for this year's celebration of Earth Day is "Sustain and Secure the Future." Earth Day activities scheduled this year include:

- A recycled grocery bag drawing contest for grades K-8. The artwork is to depict the Earth Day theme. Completed grocery bag entries will be returned to the Fort Carson Commissary for use at the conclusion of Earth Day activities.
- A poetry contest for grades 3-8, discussing the theme of "Sustain and Secure the Future".
- An Earth/Arbor Day reading program at schools featuring volunteers reading the environmentally-themed "The Lorax" by Dr. Seuss April 16-17.



Earth Day tree planting and educational fair events.

- An Earth/Arbor Day Educational Fair at the Carson Middle School on Fort Carson April 17-18. There will be seven educational stations set up for classes on the following subjects:
 - "Endangered Species," featuring the "Suitcase for Survival," presented by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
 - "The Value of Trees," presented by the Colorado State Forest Service.
 - "Experiencing Cultural Resources."
 - "Encountering Wildlife."

This year, three new stations are planned, including:

- "The Zoo Comes to You," which will provide an opportunity to view and touch live animals from the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo.

- "A Clear View of Computer Parts Recycling," a demonstration of the importance of electronics recycling presented by a recycling expert, using a clear plastic computer.
- "Watchable Wildlife," a mini workshop on the use of binoculars and scouting wildlife watching spots, presented by the Colorado Division of Wildlife.

More than 2,000 students from Fort Carson schools and from schools near Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site are expected to participate in events this year, representing one of the Mountain Post's most visible and longstanding community outreach and partnership efforts.

For more information about Earth Day activities or to volunteer, call the Earth Day coordinator at 524-4925